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Editorial

One Half Regular Size

It is not necessary to inform the reader that this issue of the paper is only half the regular size. That he already knows, but probably he would like to know the reason. Next week's paper, the doctrinal number, will be a 24 page paper, so that the two issues together will contain the same number of pages as two regular issues, 32 pages, or 16 pages each. Besides every page above the eight pages this week would have to be reprint as there is no original copy available. Probably this hint to our contributors will be sufficient to bring us original copy for the issue following the doctrinal number. Please remember that this paper depends entirely on voluntary contributions for its literary support.

The Doctrinal Number

The next issue of this paper will be our doctrinal number, and those who have not yet placed an order for extra copies should do so at once. You can not afford to let this opportunity pass without taking advantage of it. How many copies have you ordered? There is yet time to place your order but you must do so at once as we will go to press next Tuesday, and probably on Monday afternoon. Immediately upon receipt of this paper, unless your order is already in, send your order to the secretary, Brother Lichty, for as many papers as you desire. Price 5 cents per copy, 50 cents per dozen, \$1.00 for 25 copies, or \$3.00 per 100 copies; 200 copies \$5.00. Let us have your order at once. The paper will be mailed next week, and after you have seen a copy of this special number of the EVANGELIST we are quite sure you will regret very much not having placed an order for extra copies.

Special Announcement

First, there will be a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Ashland College, at Ashland, Ohio, on Wednesday at 8 o'clock, A. M. This is the regular annual meeting of the Board and always an important meeting. Every member of the Board should be present as some very important business is to be transacted. Please note the time and place.

Second, Commencement Exercises on Wednesday evening, June 4. The Class Address will be delivered by Rev. J. L. Gillin. This will be a rare treat, and the time affords a splendid opportunity for those coming to attend the Conference to hear the address.

Third, the Ohio State Conference will meet on Thursday morning, June 5, and continue in session Thursday and Friday. If you expect to attend the Conference it will not cost you any more to come on Wednesday, and be present at the Commencement exercises.

A Visit to Dayton, Ohio

By invitation of the pastor of the Dayton Mission, brother J. L. Kimmel, the editor preached for that mission on Sabbath morning, May 18, and assisted in communion services. Both services were well attended, and our visit with those people was a most pleasant and enjoyable one on our part. The progress of the mission, the "general appearance" of things, the prospects for the work, very agreeably surprised us. We will have more to say about the work and people of our mission in that city week after next.

In Need of Money

The Chicago Mission is greatly in need of money. Brethren, this should not be so. Let us remember Brother Talley and the work to which we have called him with a hearty support of our means. There should be no need of calling attention to this matter, but sometimes we become negligent in the performance of even our plainest duties. Shall we not speedily relieve the needs of the Chicago work?

A Sad Indifference

"Why did you not tell me that the world was so beautiful." This was the exclamation of a boy who had been blind from infancy, but whose sight was eventually restored by a surgical operation. It illustrates a point in mental and spiritual philosophy which is well worth a moment's reflection. Familiarity with the miracles and splendors of nature make us indifferent to them and insensible of their grandeur. Familiarity likewise with the great doctrines of our Holy religion has in many instances bred an almost callous indifference to them that we listen unmoved to such transcendent themes as pardon, regeneration, resurrection and eternal life. The heathen suddenly enlightened from long spiritual blindness shame us with the sublime joy and exultation which accompanies their first conception of these incompatible, these glorious truths. Let us once and again stand full in the light of God's revelation in Christ, his love and his eternal purpose concerning us. Let us be quickened and thrilled by these great things until we are lifted out of our dull material life into the splendid verities of the gospel, into the present experience of its joy and power, and the triumphant appropriation of its coming glory.